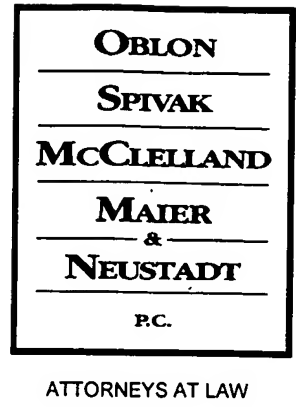




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The Examiner's "Statement of Reasons For Allowance" included at page 4, item 12 of the Notice of Allowability dated February 14, 2006 states that the primary reason for allowance of independent Claim 44 is a determining step, a generating step and a interpolating step.

However, this "Statement" should only directed to independent Claim 43, and is not applicable for independent Claim 44. Claim 44 recites similar features, but in the context of a computer readable program medium, with determining program code means,

generating program code means, and interpolating program code means. This comment is intended to point out the exact wording of allowed Claim 44.

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